

Disability Awareness Training Newsletter

ALS, Mental Health, & Mobility Awareness Month



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ADA National Network FEMA Webinar Series

As campus quiets down with the departure of students, the Niagara University First Responder Disability Awareness Training (NU FRDAT) office continues to be very active in developing and improving training and resources for first responders across the country.

As always, we provide you with this month's themes. Recall the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge a year ago, the many headlines mental health continues to make, and the initiatives to ensure access for individuals with physical disabilities. Please take time to learn more about these topics.

Seats Still Available for National Law Enforcement Train the Trainer On Campus



The next available Law Enforcement Disability Awareness Train the Trainer will be here at **Niagara University on June 11 & 12**. The course is FREE to all New York State law enforcement trainers and will debut a new and improved curriculum. **THERE ARE SOME SEATS STILL OPEN.** Discounted lodging available on campus. Please register now to reserve your spot and we encourage you to forward this link on to your colleagues.

[REGISTER NOW](#)

Project Director to Participate in 2015 IACP Conference & Civil Rights Committee



Project Director Dave Whalen's presentation on Law Enforcement Disability Awareness Training has been accepted by the **International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP)**. The presentation will take place on Tuesday, October 27th from 1:30-3:30pm at their 2015 IACP Conference in Chicago, Illinois.

Dave has also been asked by the **United States Department of Justice** to sit on a **civil rights committee** on Saturday, October 24th. More details about this committee forthcoming.

New Jersey 911 Course Now Certified

NU FRDAT is pleased to announce that the 911 Disability Awareness Training course being held at the **Middlesex County Fire Academy in Sayreville, New Jersey on June 9** has been approved for certification by the Office of Emergency

Emergency Management & Prep - Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities

UPCOMING WEBINAR:

June 11 - "ADA National Network Learning Session: Memorandums of Understanding with the City of New York regarding Shelter, Communications, Canvassing, High Rise Evacuation, and Power Outages

The Arc National Center on Criminal Justice & Disability Upcoming Webinars

July 30 - "Sex Offenders with Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities: Problems & Solutions from Around the Nation"

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Telecommunications Services (OETS).

OETS announced that the course has met **continuing telecommunication education (CTE)** requirements of the Emergency Medical Dispatch Training Program in accordance OETS Training Policy 2.3 for 3 hours. NU FRDAT is very glad to receive this accreditation and looks forward to providing continuing education.

Email slmorgan@niagara.edu to register for the course.

New Training Videos Produced

As part of our initiative in developing training for the first responders in the state of Arkansas, NU FRDAT and the Arkansas Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities has shot three videos. These highlight Arkansans with disabilities who speak to the interest of first responders in the state. The interviews are specific to Tourette Syndrome, intellectual disability, traumatic brain injury, and physical disability.



NU FRDAT now has two new videos available on frdat.niagara.edu. One video demonstrates how to properly escort a person who is blind. The other is specific to law enforcement and how to frisk an individual who uses a wheelchair.

NU FRDAT TRAINING SCHEDULE

June 1, 3, 6 - [Erie County \(NY\) Fire/EMS Train the Trainer](#)

June 9 - New Jersey Fire/EMS and 911 Dispatch Training(email slmorgan@niagara.edu to register)

June 10 - New Jersey Law Enforcement Training (registration closed)

June 11-12 - [National Law Enforcement Train the Trainer @ NU](#)

June 22-23 - [Genesee County \(NY\) 911 Dispatch Train the Trainer](#)

Aug 3-4 - Arkansas Law Enforcement Train the Trainer @ Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy (email charles.ellis@arkansas.gov to register)

Aug 5-6 - Arkansas Fire/EMS Train the Trainer @ Arkansas Fire Training Academy (registration forthcoming)

September 15-16 - New York State Law Enforcement Train the Trainer @ New York State Police Academy in Albany (registration forthcoming)

Nov 13-14 - [Dutchess County \(NY\) Fire/EMS Train the Trainer](#)

Nov 30-Dec 1 - Arkansas Law Enforcement Train the Trainer @ Little Rock Criminal Justice Institute (registration forthcoming)

Dec 2 - Arkansas 911 Dispatch Train the Trainer @ Little Rock Criminal Justice Institute (registration forthcoming)

Dec 3-4 - Arkansas Fire/EMS Train the Trainer @ Little Rock Fire Department (registration forthcoming)